

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the present application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) An absorbent article (40) configured for disposition within a vestibule (42) of a female wearer and having an improved efficacy at maintaining disposition within the vestibule, the absorbent article comprising: a fluid permeable cover (62); a baffle (64); and an absorbent (66), the absorbent having a longitudinal length, a transverse width, a height along a vertical z-axis direction, and an upper body-facing surface, the upper surface having a surface area, wherein: the absorbent is situated vertically between the cover and baffle; the length of the absorbent is no less than about 40 mm; the length of the absorbent is no greater than about 50 mm; the a minimum width of the absorbent is no less than ~~[[about 5]]~~ 10 mm; the width of the absorbent is no greater than about 40 mm; the surface area of the upper surface is no less than about 700 mm²; and the surface area of the upper surface is no greater than about 1,700 mm².

2. (original) The absorbent article of claim 1, wherein the surface area of the upper surface is no less than about 900 mm².

3. (original) The absorbent article of claim 1, wherein the surface area of the upper surface is no less than about 1,100 mm².

4. (original) The absorbent article of claim 1, wherein the length of the absorbent is no less than about 45 mm.

5. (canceled)

6. (currently amended) The absorbent article of claim 1, wherein the minimum width of the absorbent is no less than about ~~[[10]]~~ 20 mm.

7. (currently amended) The absorbent article of claim 1, wherein the minimum width of the absorbent is no less than about 15 mm.

8. (original) The absorbent article of claim 1, wherein the absorbent further comprises a superabsorbent polymer.

Claims 9-37 (canceled)